COMMERCIAL.

There is a stagnation in the market for Stocks, and we have no sales or change in quotations to sate since our last week's report. Money is decid-sate since our last week's report. Money is decid-sate since our last week's report. Money is decid-effy tight, and the Banks are unable to meet the sate since our last week's report. Money is decid-ffy tight, and the Banks are unable to meet the sides 9½c. Whiskey dull—Ohio 26½@27c. efly tight, and the Banks are unable to meet the arge demands made upon them. In Baltimore, everting to the American, there is considerable accesses, "but there is nothing that in-peases an extreme stringency in the market, and her the banks have made their annual statement will again extend their lines, and no doubt anev will fail back to the usual rates. It may be quoted at 10@12 \$\frac{1}{2}\$ ct. for first class
c" Exchange on New York is very scarce s i premium. Gold and silver are still in very amited supply, and gold commands #@# premium. s in the money market, but the supply is abunlant, and some of the bankers had large amounts d. Call loans are 6@7 P et. on favorite flaterals. Paper goes with a little more difficul-Some of the paper brokers have had loans siled in which has forced some paper on the mar-tet. Virginia 6's in New York are quoted at 933,

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50's			85		90	**
120's	4.		70	**	75	**
100's			70	**	75	

Virginia Central Railroad Stock, \$50.

tions of which we are apprized, have been in Vir ginia sixes, at 91‡ and int.—an advance; Va. C. R. R. stock at 50; R. & P. R. R. at 64, and R. &

D. R. R. at 65. DRICKS OF PRODUCE IN ALEXANDRIA.

FROM CARS, VESSELS, AND WAGO	5	124	0	\$5	181
Do Extra	5	374	(4)		50
bo Family			(4)		50
WHEAT, White			0		37
Do Red		20	(a)		25
Corn. White		80	(4)	0	82
Do Mixed	0	50	0	0	00
Do Yellow	0	00	0	0	00
CORN MEAL, # bushel	0	80	Ö	0	85
OATH	0	35	(0)		36
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CLOVER SEED, (retail)	6	00	0	6	50
TIMOTHY SEED		50	(4)	2	624
FLAXSEED	- 77	49	0	0	00
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Sar Fine		22	6	-	25

been quiet for Flour, and prices have drooped, closing dull at \$5.12½ for Union street Superfine, at which there were some sales vesterday. Extra and Pamily are also dull, and prices tending down. We quote Extra at \$5.371(0\$5.50, and Family at \$6.50(@\$7.50. The receipts of the week have

been fair, but the shipping demand limited. To the city trade, the sales have been good. In Wheat, there has been a continued activity, and prices have gone up, and been well sustained .-River, and the demand for export has been brisk Prices ranged from 130 @ 137c. for white, and 120 @ 125c. for red, according to quality. There has been an active enquiry for Corn, and the market closed very firm, at an advance. Sales of white at 81c. for new. The receipts have been light, not afficient to meet the demand. In Rye, there has been a fair business. The demand is very good, and with fair supplies the market has been active. Sales on 'Change yesterday at 80c. In Oats, there

wail myself of this method of informing the my services as Sheriff are desired and a manifesta tion be made by a majority of the voters on the 4th Thursday in May next, it shall be my pleasure to serve them; -and having served them ten years in that capacity they are fully able to judge of my qualifications and merit, and if elected I promise to conduct the business of the office to the best of my ability, with an eye in all cases to the interest of plaintiff, defendant, and your humble servant. Pr. Wm. Co., dec 23-3t F. A. WEEDON.

REGIMENT, V. M.

By order of CHARLES E. STUART, Commandant 175th Regiment, Virginia Militia John H. Higdon, Adjutant. dec 13—cotd FOR POSTPONEMENT. - The above Court

postponed to TUESDAY, THE TWENTY-SE-VENTH OF DECEMBER, 1859. By order of H. C. DORSEY, Maj. Commanding. J. H. Hignon, Adjutant. dec 24-2t

ufacturing business in this city. The business is guaranteed to pay a good per centage on the Capi al. The Goods when manufactured will find ready sale in this State, as well as they do in Nor theru cities. For particulars, address dec 24-3t HOME TRADE, at this Office. waves, there is a good supply on the market. No Potomac Herring or Shad. Plaster is scarce, and

FOR BALTIMORE.—The steam-er DIAMOND STATE will receive cargo for Baltimore, on Saturday, (this day) leaving at 2 o'clock, P. M. WHEAT & BRO., HAND'S LINE FOR PHILADEL-PHIA.—The steamer C. C. A L G E R,

Fenton, master, will leave on her regular day, SATURDAY, 24th inst. For freight apply to WM. H. FOWLE & SON.,

No. 4 South Wharves VESSEL WANTED FOR PHILADEL-PHIA.—A good Vessel of about 100 tons, Apply to WM. H. FOWLE & SON. No. 4 South Wharves

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the 2d of January next. It is requested that all notes falling due on those days be paid on the preceding Saturdays.

dec 22-6t CHAS. R. HOOFF, Cushier.

OFFICE OF FARMERS' BANK OF VA., ALEXANDRIA, December 22, 1859.

THIS BANK will be closed to business on Mo 2d January, 1860. It is requested that all notes

ings for discount be made on the preceding Satur-days. W. H. MARBURY, Cashier. days. dec 22-6t BANK OF THE OLD DOMINION.

ALEXANDRIA, December 22, 1859. | TIMIS BANK will be closed to bus ness on Mot

day next, the 26th instant; also on Monday, the 2d of January next. All persons having notes coming due on those days will please attend to the payment of them on the prepeding Saturdays. dec 22-6t P. B. HOFFMAN, Cashier.

supply, but there is no decline in prices, and we contain to quote White Ash at \$6, and Red Ash at \$6.25 \$2 ton, delivered. less variety of fancy and useful articles suitable dec 19

WORK BOXES, Writing Desks, Cabas, Chess Men. Backersmoon and Checker Boards Portable Writing Desks, Dressing Cases, Stearen-

CONGRESS.

REPORTED FOR THE ALEXANDRIA GAZETTE. Senate, Friday, December 23.

Prayer by the Chaplain and the reading of the lournal. Several messages of an Executive character were received from the President of the

United States. Mr. Yulee, from the Committee on the Post Offices and Post Roads, reported a bill for the relief of Samuel F. Butterworth and Arnold Harris. Ordered on the calendar. Mr. Wade introduced a bill placing the heirs of the soldiers in the wars with Great

Britain on an equal footing with those in the war with Mexico. Laid over. Mr. Kennedy presented the petition of Richard Wallach and George W. Riggs, pray-

ing for a passenger railway on Pennsylvania avenue. Referred to Committee on District of Columbia. Mr. Davis introduced a bill to provide for a temporary government and create the of-

fice of Surveyor-General for Arizona. Mr. Iverson presented the memorial of the Savannah Chamber of Commerce. Referred. Mr. Green moved that the Senate proceed to an Executive session: which was agreed to: and the doors were closed, and the Sena'e proceeded to consider certain nominations .-

On the doors being re-opened. The Senate adjourned over until Tuesday.

House of Representatives. Mr. Farnsworth, of Illinois, said that he and his friends had been sitting here for nearly three weeks, anxious to effect an organization. He did not wish to throw any impediment in the way of the election of a Speaker. They had been met here with speeches and resolutions with regard to a pamphlet, and in relation to a certain speech of Mr. Seward; and they had been threatened even if they should elect a Republican Speak er, the Union would be dissolved instanter He then proceeded to read extracts from the Richmond Enquirer of June 12, 1857; June, 1856, and other dates, to show that that paper-conducted by Ritchie, Pryor, and Dunpayant-uttered "irrepressible doctrine" sentiments more extreme than had Gov. Seward. Among these extracts were words something like the following: "There will be a war be tween the two system raging everywhere, until the one conquers and the other is exterminated." He said that Mr. Hammond, of the Seaate, had presented similar sentiments about an "irrepressible conflict."

He said he did not intend to say much on this subject, but to present to the House a little treasure, called the "Black Diamonds," a book which the Constitution newspaper of that city had urged the circulation of, as a book presenting the true condition of slavery in the South. It comprises a series of letters, written by a man by the name of Pollard, to some friend in the North. This book recommends the re-opening of the African slave trade, on the ground that importing negroes by their own will, as apprentices for any number of years would not be evading existing laws. He interrogated gentleman on the other side, as to whether they endorsed the sentiments in that book -- a work which had been recommended by the organ of the

Democratic party.
Mr. Cobb, of Ala., responded that he was not in favor of the slave trade, and said "now, speak out, you that don't endorse the Helper book." (laughter and applause.) Mr. Miles, of S. C. said that he would

deprecate any invasion of any law of the land, and was not prepared to favor the pening of the slave trade. No man believed that the slave trade could be opened in present Union. He wanted to ask the gentleman, if he was in favor of repealing the fugitive slave law?

awhile. (Laughter.) Mr. Rengan, of Texas declared that he had

been elected in opposition to the opening of the slave trade. He demanded that Mr. Farnsworth should speak like a man, and of the Helper Book. (Applause.) Mr. Farnsworth's reply was interrupted

Mr. Staunton, of Ohio, who disclaimed for aging slave revolt. (Applause.) The Clerk declared that if the applause

cleared.

After much discussion, Mr. Bonham, of S. C., declared that he had no idea of re-opening the slave trade in the Union.

individually in favor of re-opening the trade by law; but that such was not the position of the Democratic party in Mississippi After a running discussion as to the con-

he was not in favor of re-opening that trade. far as Helper's book might be construed to excite servile insurrection he did not endorse it. He did not think those passages had been io s doctrines in the book were but a new phase of Mr. Douglas' "unfriendly legislation." He said he did not believe there was one man in his district who would assist in a raid upon the South.

seen a letter showing the organization of a foray-party in the gentleman's district, at Mr. Farnsworth said he thought the let-

ter a boax. Mr. Miles enquired what course the Chi

eago Democrat had taken in regard to John Mr. Farnsworth said that the Chicago

Mr. Miles denied that that was a fair answer. What in the world had Sam Houston to do with the course of the Chicago Democrat in regard to John Brown? (Laughter.) Mr. Farnsworth admitted that the Ch

cago Democrat had said that John Brown was a hero and a martyr. Gov. Wise had said so himself; he had declared he was the "gamest man be ever saw." Mr. Miles thought that "a game man" did not mean a hero. The gamest man he ever

read of, was a highwayman. (Laughter.) Mr. Pryor, of Va., denied that Gov. Wise had ever made the declaration attributed to

Mr. Farnsworth continued his speech, reading from "Black Diamonds" an approval of the Walker raid upon Nicaragua. He declared that the Democrats of Southern Illinois were in the habit of catching stray negroes and then advertised for their masters. Mr. Logan, of Ill., said that if that charge ! meant that the people of Southern Thineis had acted illegally, the gentleman spoke

Mr. Farnsworth said that the remark of his colleague was gratuitous. Mr. Barksdale, of Miss., asked Mr. Farns worth if he would assist in returning fugi-

tive slaves, and upon a negative reply, dehared that Mr. Farnsworth had violated his ath.

GOODS FOR THE HOLYDAYS. We have faith.

Mr. Farnsworth said he was not ready to Got French China Tea Sets, Vases, Muga, Cupa clared that Mr. Farnsworth had violated his do the work that in the South was done by

(Loud applause.) The Clerk directed the Sergeant-at-Arms, upon a repetition of the applause, to clear

the galleries. Mr. Farnsworth continued, orging that a paper in Washington, claiming to represent Virginia, had declared that the election of John Sherman would be cause for a dissolution of the Union.

Mr Boteler, of Virginia, said Virginia

could speak for herself.

Mr. Farnsworth continued, arguing that the Democratic candidate was opposed Internal Improvements, Pacific Railroad, Homestead Law, and Cheap Postage. These were practical matters. John Brown and the Helper book were outside matters. The roaring lions of South Carolina now were as gentle as sucking doves; they sang to Anti-Lecomptonites the pretty song "Will you walk into my parlor, said the Spi-der to the Fly." He denied that the dissolution of the Union was possible. The cry was gotten up on the eve of every Presidential election for effect. It reminded him of a quack doctor, who, whenever he was applied to cure, always threw his patient into fits; because, he said, he was hon fits. The Democrats always threw the country into fits, on the eve of a Presidential election, because they were h-lon fits.

(Laughter.) He declared that the Union sould not be dissolved-where would the Mississippi be divided? What part would the South take of Yankee Doodle! Laughter.) Of Hail Columbia, and the Fourth of July? He did not believe that the South would dissolve the Union. Mr. English, of Indiana, had read the pro-

ceedings of a meeting held in Chicago, approving of John Brown. After a discussion in regard to Illinois politics, in which Messrs, English, Farns

worth, Logan, and others, participated, Mr. Nelson, of Tennessee, rose to a person d explanation, relative to an article, attackng him, in the Washington States: and said that the editor of the States had "been guilty of a gross perversion of the truth," and a malicious and wilful falsehood.

Mr Smith of Virginia, took the floor, but gave way to a call of the House, and afterwards to the twentieth trial for Speaker, high resulted as follows: Whole number of votes cast 212, necessary

a choice, 107; John Sherman, 103; John Millson, 27; J. A. Gilmer, 19; T. S. Boek. 10: scattering 53. After the ballot, but before its announce

Mr. Davis, of Mississippi, proposed that the members of the House resign, and allow their constituents to pass upon their conduct. Mr. Brabson, of Georgia -Let us organize. ad do something, and let them pass on that. A Republican member-That's a good proposition from a minority. You can't

At the conclusion of the vote, Mr. Keitt South Carolina, moved that the House adourn to meet on Tuesday next.

any how.

Loud cries of no, no, from the Republican ide of the House. Mr. Smith, of Virginia, protested against such an adjournment. He wanted to speak

among other things upon this very question, and the floor had been assigned him for to-Mr. Keitt, withdrew his motion, and at 44 o'clock, the House adjourned.

MARRIED.

On the 22nd instant, in Alexandria, Va., at the idence of Rev. D. F. Sprigg, ADDISON W. DEAHL, of Washington, D. C., to LIZZIE C., daughter of the late John 1, Proctor, of the form-

In Washington City, on Thursday, the 15th In Washington City, on Thursday, the Islands, by the Rev. Samuel Rogers, M. J. WOSTER, esu, and Miss ABIANNA, second daughter of John Fox, esq., all of Fairfax county. At the residence of the bride's mother, near Fair-

fax Court House, on Wednesday night, the 21st iast, by the Rev. Wm. G. Coe, Mr. AMBROSE COCK, Jr., and Miss SARAH E. SWEENY, all Fairfax County.

OBITUARY.

WILLIAM H. JENNINGS, esq., Clerk of the County Court of Fauguier, in the 53d year of The very large concourse which followed the re-mains of the discensed to their resting place, bore witness to the power of those kindly qualities of heart which in his life won to him so many friends. Anature generous in its impulses, a spirit frank discharged. She was, examined by throwand cordial in its utterances, a character which say whether he was in favor of the doctrines were no mask, but stood ever open to public view; and entirely renewed. In order to more these were all conceded to belong to him whore loss is mourned. That he had his frailties, no one could have been more ready to charge than he to confess. That these frailties (whatever they may have been) were consistent with genial and attrachimself, the idea of the Helper Book encourtive traits of personal character, and, an honest and efficient discharge of official duties, was more than once attested by the marked confidence of the peocontinued he would order the galleries to be ple in conferring upon him the responsible and imortant office which he held at his death.

Very soon after his last election to that office, the hand of disease was laid heavily upon him, and beneath its continued pressure the energies of a to time, during the long period of his prostration he was called to realize the urgent need of prepar-ation for the future life—and when at last his mind was brought to a full consciousness of the near approach of death, it turned with anxious longings towards, those springs of peace which stitutionality of the laws making penal the flow so freely from beneath the everlasting throne: slave trade, Mr. Crawford, of Ga., said that and though it was not given him to enjoy, without interruption, that "full assurance" which belongs the matures believer, those most familiar with his secret spiritual exercises are happy to know that at times he was able to see kimself a sinner and look with trust and confidence to the sinner's friend-and to hope that the spirit which was fairly construed. There were sentiments in breathed out as gently as an infant's sigh, found it that he did not endorse. The most obnox- a resting-place in the bosom of its God. May this ope throw its radiance upon the dark clouds of sorrow which shroud the hearts of the stricken ones! And may the God of the widow and fatherless be their God!

On the quiet eve of the Salbath the remains of the depated were laid to rest in the village grave- to have a Supper on St. John's night, the yard and more than one eye unused to tears, oistened with sorrow as the earth closed over the the familiar form that slept beneath it. Peace to

Warrenton, Va., Nov. 22. [Rich. Enq. copy.] NEW THEATRE, ALEXANDRIA.

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SATURDAY EVENING, December 24th, 1859. Coleman's great Play of THE IRON CHEST!

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A GHOST IN SPITE OF HIMSELF Zer For full particulars, see bids of the day. Tickets, admitting a Gentleman and Lady 75c.

Do. do. do. two Ladies o'clock.

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MUSICAL SOIREE AT BELLE HAVEN FEMALE popular Institution, was enjoyed by the patrons and a few invited guests, on Thursday evening last. The spacious school room was tastefully festooned with intertwined garlands of evergreens. On the west of the orchestra was seen a beautiful Harp, wrought with leaves of evergreen, accompanied with the appropriate quotation-Praise ye the Lord upon the Harp." On the opposite side of the orchestra was a large Star, encircled by a rich wreath of similar material, with tie touching words—"We have seen His Star in the East.

Were it not invading the privilege extendd, by invitation, to be present on that occaion, in thus making public what was designed as a private Musical Soiree, it would both a pleasure and duty to speak more particularly of the pieces played and sung, and thus, in some measure, do justice to the musical talent and skill displayed by the young ladies on that evening. For two or three hours the delighted auditors were held in sweet forgetfulness of the rough realities of life, while listening to the delicious melody awakened into being by the skillful touch of the piano, accompanied with highly cultivated voices.

The very graceful, refined and lady-like movements of the pupils, reflect the highest oraise upon the accomplished Miss E. Tebbs. Principal of Belle Haven Institute, while their critically accurate knowledge of music, proclaims Prof. Englebrecht, (the gifted director of that department,) master of the

Prof. Englebrecht played with admirable effect a splendid Grand March, composed ov him for the occasion, and which he proposes to dedicate to the Alexandria Riflenen, which that gallant corps will no doubt highly appreciate. It was received with warm applause. The entertainment concluded with a lovely

Christmas Anthem, sung by all the pupils standing; and truly "the stars sang to-

PUBLIC SCHOOL EXAMINATION.—The regular semi-annual examination of the scholars of the Washington street public school, took place yesterday morning, and exhibited gratfying evidences of the progress of the pupils. After the examination, Rev. Dr. Harrison

and S. Scott addressed a few remarks to the pupils, urging them to renewed diligence in their studies, and then rewards were distriouted to the most deserving of the pupils. To J. McKee, was awarded a silver medal or punctual attendance. The lad has not

been absent or tardy during the whole school Rewards, for diligence and improvement were then awarded to the following pupils:

E. Milburn, J. W. Campbell, W. H. Grif-

fin, G. W. Darley, W. H. Johnson, E. Nightingill, R. M. McKee, L. Campbell, B. R. Warner, W. H. Darley, Geo. Sullivan, Wm. E. Grady, A. Travis, W. D. Hudson, and F. Walker. The whole number of pupils entered at the

chool, is fifty, and the average attendance, forty-five. The pupils attending the school are from the various Wards, as follows: First Ward, 16; Second Ward, 6; Third Ward, 13; Fourth Ward, 15. The school is now partially provided, and

soon will be entirely so, with desks of a new and approved pattern.

SHIP SILVER STAR .- This fine ship, it will be remembered, some weeks since left this Dien in Warrenton, on Friday, the 16th inst., port heavily freighted with coal, bound for San Fraucisco. On her passage down the Bay, she got ashore, causing her tospring aleak, and it was deemed advisable by Capt. Thomas F. Wade, to take her to Baltimore, which was accordingly done. Her cargo was ing her on her side, the copper taken off theroughly strengthen her, beams were placed throughout her entire length in the lower hold, heavily clamped and kneed, and all other proper repairs made. She has again taken in cargo. The Silver Star belongs to Boston and is regarded as a first class ship. Her expenses of repairs, &c., are estimated at not less than \$20,000 .- Balt. Sun.

CHRISTMAS TIMES -A PRESENT FOR THE OC-CASION .- Mr. John T. Price sent us yesterday vigorus constitution gradully yeilded. From time from his Restaurant, a Christmas present, in the shape of some fine Venison and fat Canvass Backs Ducks. Anything more "handsome or appropriate to the occasion" could not well be imagined. We ought to "nib our pens afresh," to return our thanks for such a present. What is more pertinent to the matter, and to Mr. Price, himself, however, is the mention of the fact, that he has more of precisely the same sort, in his larder, with which to supply the wants of all who want the "delicacies of the season"-and that if any body wants to make a bill of fare be satisfied to their hearts content.

of Andrew Jackson Lodge, No. 120, intend 26th inst., and have appointed Messrs, J. D. Javins, Wesley Avery, John R. Alexander, and Geo, T. Whittington, a committee to L make the necessary arrangements.

Alexandria Washington Lodge, No. 22 also intend celebrating the anniversary of St. Johe, and have appointed a committee to make arrangements, consisting of Messrs. Selden S. Peach, Edward H. Delahay, and

probably unite together, and have the Sup-

terday to welcome home, for the Holidays, Lewis McKe zie, esq., delegate to the Legislature from this city. Mr. McKenzie has been hard at work attending to the interes's of his constituents and the State; but looks well and able to stand the "wear and tear"

> will be seen by reference to our advertising columns, that our Confectioners have made extensive preparations to meet the wishes of got up in true "VIRGINIA STYLE," and in Will be said at the round time. 110 King-street, Alexandria, Va. will be simply rewarded.

lectures in this city. We bespeak for him in Warrenton, and here, a hearty and gener- STREET. South side, near St. Asaph street. ous welcome. Syaw.-There was a slight fall of snow

on Thursday night. The ground was covered with it. Yesterday morning the sun At his Store, on Rayat street, near the Market, came out brightly. Mantson Soldiers, -The Richardson

Guards of Madison C. H., arrived in this city You are or INCURY .- It will be seen by the

George H. Duffey, with the Alexandria Ar-INSTITUTE .- A choice and select Musical tillery, Capt, Joseph Williams, arrived home Entertainment, by the Young Ladies of this in the steamer George Page, last night. They were received with a salute from one by a squad of the Artillery who returned to val, they were met at the wharf by a large concourse of people, headed by martial music, and escorted by torch beaters, the comized, and their soldier-like conduct while in service, and said that they had won golden opinions on all bands for their fidelity. He and Col. Davis, to express high encomiums upon the conduct of the Artillery, and to reery Company in the State. He would now his home more determined than ever to foster and maintain a military spirit among the people, in order that when an occasion arose, as it might not many months hence, they would be able to bear aloft not the banner under which they had lately served, but if need be, the flag of Virginia. He closed with an expression of high regard for the 'gle ious old Governor of Virginia," and was

on duty, and dismissed the corps.

The company then upon the invitation Mr. Hedebower entered the hotel and partook of refreshments. The Artillery have done good service to the State since they volunteered in its service, and deserve the thanks of the community.

forming a Military Company. Major Geo. T. Whittington was called to the Chair, and William H. Underwood appointed secretary. Committees were appointed to form a constitution, By-Laws, &c., and to procure a suitable room for drilling. Several gentlemen who were present, made short speeches in regard to the formation of the company .-The meeting adjourned to meet again on the night. It was insured in the Southern Mutu-29th inst., when it is expected the company al Company. Much of the stock and severwill be properly organized.

THE ALEXANDRIA AND WASHINGTON STEA-MERS - The steamer Thomas Collver, which has of late been under repair, has been thoroughly overhauled and is now ready for service. She will make a trip to Mount exercises. Addresses were delivered by Ed-Vernon to day. On the first of January the | ward Everett, Mayor Lincoln, Ex-Gov. Boutsteamer George Page will be withdrawn well and others. from the Washington and Alexandria ferry line, for repairs, and the Thomas Collver take her place. MILITARY MOVEMENTS .- Maj. Gen. Talia-

and staff ,passed down the Potomac, on the mail steamer, last night, en route for Richmond. Col Davis also arrived last night, in Washington from Charlestown. A large amount of Ordnance stores also arrived, to be forwarded to Richmond, this morning. THE THEATRE. - The Theatre has drawn large crowds for several nights past, and Holt, resigned.

MILITARY .-- The Alexandria Artillery will meet at the market square, this morning, at Il o'clock, and proceed to Washington to take charge of the guns left behind them in

ing to H. B. Cromwell & Co., was to have had a trial trip from New York yesterday.

The New Rifle Company met last night, but did not organize. CONFECTIONERY, &c., FOR THE HOLIDAYS.

TIME MERRY HOLIDAYS have commenced. and with them, at C. BRENGLE'S STORE.

side of Virginia, let them call at Price's, and be satisfied to their hearts control.

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Holidays.

dec 24.—2t occupied by what was formerly known as the Washington Tayern, now known as the MARSHALL HOUSE, together with the Staseveral valuable MEN SERVANTS: also, a WOMAN and a GIRL. Apply to the subscriber, No. 100, Dake street. WM BAKER.

adverti-ment in another column of today's Gazett , that the Regimental Court of Enqu. | POR HIRE for the ensuing year, a well disposed to that the Regimental Court of Enqu. | House Apply at this office. dec 23 - 0.31



Special Dispatch for the Gazette. The Message.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23 .- I learn from a reliable source, that the President will not send in his annual message to Congress, till the House of Representatives is organized, unless something new unforseen should oc-

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 22 .- The Faculty of the New Orleans School of Medicine, in reply to the application of the Southern medical students in New York, state that the latter will be received by the payment of nominal fees. The students here held a meeting and resolved to invite the Southern students at the North to join them, tuition free. It is understood that the latter will leave the North, notwithstanding they have paid their

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23 .- Gen. George W Sowman, proprietor of the Constitution, was to-day nominated in closed session of he Senate as printer to that body.

Suspension of a Bank act.

AUGUSTA, Dec. 23 .- A bill has passed oth houses of the South Carolina Legisla-

or the government was successfully cast his morning under the superintendence of Lieut. Rodman. It was a complete success. This gun weighs over 35 tons and was of a

The Alleged Express Robber.

terday, and was lodged in jail for trial at the Criminal Court. Large fire in Augusta, Ga. Augusta, Dec. 23 .- Luther Roll's carriage

establishment was destroyed by fire last

ai buggies were burnt, but no carriages .-The fire was undoubtedly incendiary. The Elliott School at Boston. Boston, Dec. 22 .- The new Elliott schoolhouse was dedicated to-day with the usual

Latest from Charlestown. CHARLESTOWN, Dec. 23 .- Quiet is entirely

restored here. The only company remaining upon guard is the Jefferson Guards, a company of eighty men, belonging to the neighborhood, and commanded by Captain ferro, Commander of troops at Charlestown, Confirmation of Commissioner.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—The Senate of

the United States in Executive session, to-day

confirmed the nomination of W. D. Bishop, of Conn., Commissioner of Patents, vice Jas.

Ohio State Treasury Defalsation. COLUMBUS, Dec. 22 .- In the case of W. H. hours, brought in this morning a verdict of guilty of defalcation.

From Havana. NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 22 .- Advices from Havana to the 18th instant report that very This demand is based upon unfavorable crop news from Louisiana.

tered into at 61 reals for kegs of five gallons. Freights unultered. Death of Robert Gray, of Rockingham County Robert Gray, esq., an aged and most highly esteemed citizen of Harrisonburg, Rockingham County, died at his residence "Hilltop" on Saturday afternoon last, in the 79th year of his age. Mr. G. had been in feeble health for some time past, and his death was not unexpected. He filled a large

man, and at once took a prominent stand .-

He was a lawyer and ranked among the

most eminent of his profession. He was for

Dates have been received from Barbados to the 1st instant. Prices have advanced .-Flour, \$6 a \$6 25; corn meal, \$5 20 a \$5 40. Corn is wanted; last sales \$2 35, and none in market. Good herrings, alewives and mackerel are wanted; codfish in good supply. The weather continues very genial. Writs for the new Assembly will be issued next week, expected by the steamer that leaves England December 1. The water works are progressing rapidly, and will be completed by the

middle of February next. Barbee's beautiful statue of the "Fisher

TALE OF BUILDING LOTS .- Will be offered SALE OF BUILDING LOTS.—WILLOW SELECTION ON SATURDAY, DECEMBER SEVENTEENTH, on the premises, at 12 o'clock, M., FOURTEEN BUILDING LOTS, situated on the control of the contr

in 6, 12, 18, and 24 months, with interest-title to be given when the last payment is made. Deeds Will be sold at the same time, a GROUND RENT of \$22 per annum, on a lot fronting 22

at the same hour, in front of the Mayor's office.

blatiot thereto belonging, with their appurtenan-ces, on three equal credits of 12, 18, and 24 months. purchaser giving bond and security, and title retained as further security. Other particulars made known on the day of sale. HENRY J. SAMUELS, 1 Special

Monetary.

autovament. Land Warrants are quoted as

Richmond Stock Market, December 23.
Virginia Sixes, 91% and interest,
Nichmond City Bonds, hast sales \$943% and interest,
Virginia Bank Stock, sales \$723%.
Farmers' Bank Stock, 105.
Fachange Bank Stock, bast sales \$105.
Back of the Commonwealth Stock, sales 100.
Richmond, Fredericksburg, and Potomac Railroad Stock

Richmond and Danville Railroad guarantees romas, sales pe and int.
Viginia and Tennessee Railroad Bonds, 1st mortgage, lest sales \$5.29 and int. Do. 2nd mortgage, last sales \$7.90 and int.
urange and Alexandria Railroad Bonds \$7.90 and int.
Manassas dap Railroad bonds, 60 and interest.
Surfolk City \$7.5 and int.
The Whig says:—The stock market, as usual, at this season of the year, is very dull, and we have very few sales to report. The only transactions of which we are apprized, have been in Vir-

bave been very few transactions, and the market tennasually quiet—nominal price 35@36c. Cora Most is in good supply and fair request at 80% Sec. Seeds are very quiet, and we have no change to note in prices, which are \$6(@\$6.50 for Clover Seed, and scarce; Tunothy \$2.50(@\$2.62); Flaxseed \$1.374(0\$1.40. White Beans and Black Byod Peas are unchanged. We quote the former at \$2.25, and the latter at \$1.37½(@\$1.50. In Prorusions, there is no change, and the market is quiet. Butter is in good demand at 18@20c. for tell, 28@30c. for Goshen and best print. Lard is settre at 10@11c. Bacon is unchanged—Hams

11(413)c.; Shoulders 8(68)c.; and Sides 10(6) 10 ic. Pork has been coming in in small lots, and a better demand exists, while prices keep up. We now quote dressed hogs in fair enquiry, at \$7(@ \$7.25 \$3 100 fbs. net. Small lots of very extra for family curing, may be quoted at \$7.50. There s a very fair supply of Leather of home manuissure and excellent quality on hand, at the following quotations: Oak Sole 30@31c.; Shoe Skirting 32@33c., and Hemlock 20@24c. The market for all kinds of goods in the Grocery line is firmer, with a further advance in prices. We quote Brown Sugars at 72, 8, 81, and 9c. Molasses 28, 31, 33, and 38c, for Cuba, Clayed, and Muscovado, and 53@55c, for New Orleans. Coffee 12, 121. 12t, and 13c. for Rio, 14c. for Laguyra, 16@17c for Java. Ground Alum Salt \$1.25; Marshall's & J. Dorsey's fine \$2@\$2.121; Ashton \$2.12@\$2.25. Stocks on hand are ample for all demands. Apples are scarce, and coming in in very small lots. Prices are unchanged, viz: \$2.25@\$2.50 \$8 barrel, secording to quality. Wool is unchanged—common unwashed at 24@27c.; do. washed 36@35c.; Fleece washed 30@35c.; Merino 45@48c. Sumae in small supply -no change in quotations. Broom Corn is active at \$4@\$6 \$2 100 lbs. Fish

quote lump by the cargo at \$3.25, and delivered on the cars \$4(@\$4.25). Ground Plaster is in fair request at \$7. Orders for Cumberland Coal are more numerous, and the demand for vessels is neto Boston, \$2.15 to New York, and other Eastern ports in proportion. Baltimore Cattle Market, December 22. Beef Cattle .- The offerings at the Scales to-day smounted to 1450 head. Of the number offered, 250 head were driven to Philadelphia, 300 left over ensoid, and the remainder purchased by Baltimore butchers and packers at prices ranging from \$2. et to \$4.50 D 100 bs. gross, (the latter figure for a few extra Cattle,) averaging \$3.25, being a

are in fair supply of Eastern Herring and Ale-

is very active demand, at a further advance.

sight decline on the rates of last week. Th warket was quite dull to day.

Sheep.—The supply is fair, and sales have been made this week at \$3.50@\$4.75 \$2 100 lbs. gross, as to quality. Hogs. -The supply is good, and the market clo-

res with the feeling somewhat improved; sales of pruse Hogs \$6.50(0.\$7, and inferior qualities at \$6.6\$6.25 \$\docume{9}\$ 100 lbs. Richmond Market, December 23. FLOUR.—The receipts continue light, and the market heavy. Superfine, \$5.50@\$5.75; Extra. \$6.50 (4\$6.75; Family, \$7.50, \$8, aud \$9. WHEAT.—The receipts of Wheat are heavy.— Prune white continues in demand, the millers still

anxious to buy white at 120@ 145c., and 110@

Cons.—We continue to hear of sales at 85@

eoc. for old. New is selling at the wide range

of 7666 80c., according to quality and condition The Fuel market continues active at last week's quotations. We continue to quote Wood-Oak and Hickory mixed, \$3.25@ \$3.50; Pine \$2.50@ \$2.75; Hickory \$3.75@\$4. Cumberland Coal i in very large supply, with a better demand from the Eastern cities. We quote Lump at \$5; Run of mine \$4.50, and Fine \$4. Anthracite is in good

COAL TRADE .- For the week ending Saturday, December 17th, 773.17 tons of coal were shipped over the Cumberland and Pennsylvania Railroad, and 5,463 14 over the road of the George's Creek Coal and Iron Company. Making a total for the week from the entire region of 6,237.11 tons.—
Total shipments for the year from the entire re-

The Markets. BALTIMORE, Dec. 23 .- Flour closed dall, with sales of but 700 barrels; Howard street at \$5.25. Wheat is very firm; sales of 4,000 bushels: white 125@140e.; red 120@12.e. Corn closed buoyant,

New York, December 23 .- Cotton closed firm; ales of 3,000 bales, which was mostly in transit Flour has advanced be., but closed heavy; saies of 14,500 bbls.; State \$5.10(a,\$5.20; Ohio \$5.60(a) \$5.75; Southern \$5.35(2 \$5.75. Wheat closed firm; sales of 6,000 bushels. Corn closed lower; sales of 27,000 bush ; white and yellow 846a 57c. Pork closed buoyant; mess \$16.05(a, \$16.12; prime \$11.62@\$11.75. Lard closed quiet at 101@ 107c. Whiskey closed firm at 27c. Sugar closed firm and not active—Orleans 726282c.; Muscovado 7 @7½c. Coffee closed firm; sales of 3,800 bags of Rio per "Yankee Blade" at 11½c. Molasses clo-

sed firmer at 53@5fe. Alexandria Cattle Market, Dec. 23.

Reported by J. Richard Smoot, Live Stock Ament BEEF CATTLE .- Offerings this week limitedmarket dull and inactive, prices ranging from \$2,-50 to \$4, equal to \$5@\$7 nett, and averaging \$3,-

Hogs. - Live Hogs, from \$6.75 to \$7.25 per 100 lbs.; wagon pork from \$6,50 to \$7,25 per 100 lbs SHEEP -A few muttons of superior quality and very large size, sold for \$5 per 100 fb gross. We quote the market quiet, at \$31 to \$41 for first qual ty: second at \$2 to \$3 7 head.

Cows AND CALVES-From \$20 to \$35 2 head; Veal Calves from \$3 to \$4 7 100 th gross. ALMANAC.

TWELFTH MONTE, SUN SUN MOON'S PHASES. DECEMBER. rises, sets. 7 21 4 39 New.....24 12 40 M. Sunday 7 21 4 39 Firstqr., 1 5 42 m. 7 21 4 39 Full...... 8 10 14 m. 7 21 4 39 Lastqr., 15 1 46 m. 27 Tuesday.

29 Thursday 7 21 4 39 HIGH WATER 7 20 4 40 DECEMBER 24 7h. 18m 30 Friday

MARINE LIST. PORT OF ALEXANDRIA - DECEMBER 23. Sehr. E. A. Anderson, Cranmer, New Bedford, wheat by M. Eldridge. Schr. Island City, Conklin, New York, by T. J. Mehaffey. Schr. Charity, Smith, Providence, by T. J. Me

MEMORANDA. Schr. Statesman, Mott, cleared at New York, for this port, 21st inst. Schr. Georgia, Soule, from Yarmouth, for this port, sailed from Portland 19th inst., and returned the same day, having experienced a heavy gale on

Schr. S. G. King. Andrews, hence at Philadelphia, 23d. Sehr. M. C. Durfee, Hall, hence at Fall River. Schr. Harriet, Sedgley, from Bluff Point, Va., fo Kennebunk, arrived at Holmes' Hole, 20th.

CANAL COMMERCE.

ARRIVED, December 23.

Boats Dr. A. Biggs, L. G. Hough, to American

the 18th, and lost boat and galley.

Boats John Van Lear, Gen. T. A. McKaig, Prince Rupert, and Three Brothers, to Frostburg CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS .- As Monday next will be observed as the Christmas Holiday, (Christmas Day falling on Sunday,)

this office, according to ancient custom, will

be closed on Monday, and no paper issued

therefrom on Tuesday.

APPOINTMENTS-FOR PRINCE WILL LIAM CIRCUIT.—Bethel, 1st Sunday in January, 11 A M.; Lewis Chapel, 31 P. M.; Mt. Carmel, in Fairfax, 2d Sunday, 11 A. M .; Union, in Fair fax, 3½ P. M.; Mt. Carmel, in Prince William, 3-Sunday, 11 A. M.; Union, in Prince William, 3½ P. M.; Buck Hall, 4th Sunday, 11 A. M.; Brents-

Week-day appointments:-Mt. Vernon,

Tuesday night after 1st Sunday; Occoquan, Wed-nesday night after 2d Supday; Dumfries, Wednes day night after 4th Sunday.
dec 24-1t JAMES S. PORTER. dec 24-1t 20 A CARD .- To the voters of Prince Will liam County .- Fellow Citizens: - Seeing my name announced as one to be voted for at the ensuing May election for the office of Sheriff of Prince Wil liam county, which was utterly unsought, and the writer wholly anknown, yet having been so ear-nestly solicited by many who withheld their support on a former occasion, and feeling myself unde some obligations to the voters of the county for favors bestowed in by gone days, I feel it a duty incumbent on me to sacrifice in part my own feelings to the accommodation of their wishes, and

REGIMENTAL COURT OF ENQUIRY, 175TH THE REGIMENTAL COURT OF ENQUIRY, will hold its session in the Court House, on FRIDAY, the 23d instant, at 11 o'clock, A. M.—

WANTED. - A PARTNER, with a CASH CAPITAL of \$10,000, to establish a man-

day next, 26th instant, and on Monday the falling due on those days be paid, and the offer

NEW GOODS JUST RECEIVED AT RICH.
ARD'S BAZAAR.—Biodings, Cords, Tassles and Buttons for Cloaks, Hair Netts, with and

scopes and Pictures, Pocket Knives, Scissors in cases, &c., just received at des 20 C. C. BERRY'S, 72 King-st.

Mr. Farnsworth-I will reply to that after day night after 1st Sunday; Valley School House,

> Mr. McRae, of Miss., said that he was Mr. Farnsworth, continuing said that so

> Mr. Miles, of S. C., mentioned that he had

Democrat had supported Sam Houston for Agents. the Presidency.

pursuivants and bloodbounds. Mr. Barksdale. Then you are a traiter.

LOCAL ITEMS.

THE RETURN OF THE ALEXANDRIA ARTIL-LERY .- Col. Charles E. Stuart and Major of the cannons they had left at home, manned this city several days ago. Upon their arripany proceeded to the front of the City Hotel. Col. Stuart addressed the assemblage from the steps of the hotel. He ailuded to the has e in which the company had been organhad been commissioned by Gen. Taliaferro turn to them their thanks. For his own part he bore cordial testimony that they deserved well of their country, and were a neucleus of the formation of the best Artiftake his leave, and would say to them and the assembled citizens, that he returned to

lon 1 cheered. Mai. Duffey in response to a call, thanked Col. Stuart for his encomium upon the Artillery, and the citizens of Alexandria for their kindness to the company during its absence

MILITARY .- A large number of persons living in the Western portion of the city, assembled at the Friendship Engine House, on Thursday night last, for the purpose of

promises to attain a vet larger measure of holidays. To night the company present The Iron Chest, Mr. Gossin, as Sir Edward Mortimer, and the farce of "A Ghost in spite Ohio, the jury, after being out twenty-four

that city, last night. Upon their return to this city, they will be mustered out of ser-THE NEW STEAMSHIP MONTICELLO, of the Washington and Alexandria line, belong-

and everything to make glad the hearts of old and young. Call and see the elegant CAKES, CANDIES, FRUITS, NUTS, &c., &c.

taste and wishes of all. Cali and see me. DAVID APPICIL.

where may be had, on reasonable terms, EVRRY L! XURY in my line for the HOLI-Charles J. Wise.
We understand that the two Lodges will CAKES, CANDIES, PIES, PUFFS, FRUITS,

OUR DELEGATE.—We were pleased yes.

CHEISTMAS HOLIDAYS!! girl," was sold at auction, in New York, on The subscriber respectfully informs his friends and Thursday last for \$2,750, to Mr. Derby, Active public at large, that he has a the public at large, that he has a Also, a large assortment of CANDY, of his own manufacture, which he warrants to be No. 1. He

Mr. F. W. Thomas, the popular lecturer MICHAEL GERMAN wishes to all a happy

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BY MAGNETIC TELEGRAPH

Movement in New Orleans.

Printer for the Senate.

Several Executive communications were

ture suspending until June, 1861, the law requiring one dollar of specie in the bank vault for every three of circulation. Another "Peacemaker" Successfully Cast. PITTSBURG. Dec. 23.—The monster cannon

omposition called the "Floyd Metal."

MONTGOMERY, ALA., Dec. 23.—The alleged xpress robber Mahoney, arrived here yes-

Gibson, former Treasurer of the State of

high prices are asked for new crop sugar .-

Contracts for new molasses have been en space in the history of Rockingham County, having gone to that County when a young

many years Commonwealth's Attorney for all who knew him. On Fairfus steed, next door to the "Seminole warrior, of 1836," and the "Harper's Ferry to meet his Excellency Mr. Hincks, who is

> tuary of the Cosmopolitan Art Association. AUCTION SALES.

feet on St. Asaph street, and 118 feet deep. dee 10-drs T. M. McCORMICK, Auct'r. and tenders to them, at fair prices, CAKES, CAN-DIES, FRUITS, NUTS. FIRE WORKS, and, in a word, everything in his line to had not seen to be se

THE JOYOUS SEASON should be participated A LEXANDRIA REAL ESTATE FOR SALE in by all, therefore. cretal order of the Circuit Court of Cabell County, rendered at the last August term, in the case of Sophia M. Peyton, against the heirs of Thomas FRUITS AND NUTS, OF ALL KINDS, Dundas, deceased, the undersigned, will, on the fourth Monday in January next, at the front door of the Court House of Alexandria County, Va., That cannot be excelled, give him joy by calling upon him during the that LOT OF LAND, in the city of Alexandria,

JOHN LAIDLEY, Comm'rt.

and gifted author, will lecture in Warrenton one day next week, and during the succeeding week will commence a course of a word, everything in his line to help make merry

on Thursday night last, and took the Orange & Alexandria train for their homes, yesterday morning. The company number about sixty men, and are commanded by Captain

RINGS. 500 bbls. of prime quality, for sale WM. It FOWLE & SON.

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